



RESOLUTION

URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO EXPEND AT LEAST \$150,000 FROM THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 EXECUTIVE OPERATING BUDGET TO SUPPLEMENT THE FUNDING FOR THE LEEWARD COAST SUMMER FUN PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Summer Fun Program run by the City and County of Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation ("Department") is the largest such program in the State, operating more than 60 sites island-wide, and enrolling 10,000 students each summer; and

WHEREAS, registration for the program begins in May of each year and children are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis; and

WHEREAS, program sites have wide popularity, and many reach capacity on the very first day registration is permitted; and

WHEREAS, currently, in order to register one child in a Summer Fun program, payment of both a \$25 registration fee, and an additional activity fee, which varies per site but can amount up to \$75, are required, for a total of up to \$100 per child; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program has been experiencing lower enrollment, possibly due to the fact that district families often have multiple children, and although the Summer Fun programs are wanted and needed in these areas, families cannot afford substantial fees to enroll; and

WHEREAS, the \$25 registration fee may be waived for eligible families who can provide original proof of receipt of some form of State financial assistance, but activity fees are still required to be paid for each child enrolled, even if a family demonstrates a reduced ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2019 Executive Operating Budget (Ordinance 18-23) included a proviso that ensures that, of the \$23,662,754 appropriated for the Department of Parks and Recreation, Recreational Services activity, at least \$150,000 is appropriated for the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program; and

WHEREAS, it is the understanding of the City Council ("Council") that the appropriation of at least \$150,000 made for the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program will not be expended by the City Administration because of the City Administration's belief that enrollment for the Leeward Coast Program will be down; and



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WHEREAS, countless families depend on the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program for quality activities for their children when school is out of session, and no family should lose access to such a program because of an inability to pay; and

WHEREAS, if the appropriation of at least \$150,000 for the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program is not expended, it may result in the loss of some portion of the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program, which would not serve the best interests of the community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Council urges the City Administration to supplement the funding for the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program by at least \$150,000, as appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2019 Executive Operating Budget (Ordinance 18-23); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Administration is encouraged to continue the waiver of fees and, for the Leeward Coast Summer Fun Program, to use the additional funding, as necessary, for the waiver of activity fees for families receiving financial assistance; and



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No. 19-73

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Director of Parks and Recreation, and the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services.

INTRODUCED BY:

Kimberly Rose

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

MAR 20 2019

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

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CERTIFICATE

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Introduced: 03/20/19 By: KYMBERLY PINE Committee: BUDGET

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Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

03/27/19	BUDGET	CR-93 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION.
04/17/19	COUNCIL	CR-93 AND RESOLUTION 19-73 WERE ADOPTED. 9 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, FORMBY, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI.

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.



GLEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK



ANN H. KOBAYASHI, INTERIM CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER